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SUBJECT: PROBLEM CONCERNING STUART MCGUIRE CO. AND PRC TRADE
CORPORATION

1. AFTER PARTICIPATING IN NEGOTIATION OF SHRIMP PROBLEM IN CANTON (HK 1340), HARNED HOOSE SOUGHT AN INVITATION TO PEKING TO REPRESENT THE STUART MCGUIRE COMPANY IN A PROBLEM CONCERNING SHOES WHICH STUART MCGUIRE HAD ORDERED FROM THE CHINA NATIONAL LIGHT INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTS IMPORT AND EXPORT CORPORATION. WE INFORMED HOOSE IN CANTON ON FEBURARY 14 THAT WE HAD ADVISED THE CHINESE TRADE AUTHORITIES OF OUR SUPPORT FOR HIS REQUEST TO COME TO PEKING FOR DISCUSSIONS.

2. ON FEBRUARY 17, THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN TRADE TOLD US THAT THE LIGHT INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTS CORPORATION HAD "ALREADY SENT" HOOSE A CABLE SAYING IT WAS "DIFFICULT" TO ARRANGE FOR DISCUSSIONS IN PEKING AT THIS TIME. ON FEBRUARY 18, WE INFORMED THE MFT OF HOOSE'S SECOND CABLE TO US FROM CANTON WHICH SAID HE WOULD STAY IN HONG KONG UNTIL MARCH 1 IN THE HOPE OF RECEIVING AN EARLY INVITATION TO COME TO PEKING FOR THESE DISCUSSIONS.

3. REQUEST CONGEN INFORM HOOSE, WHO IS AT THE MANDARIN HOTEL, OF THE INFORMATION IN PARA 2 ABOVE, AND ALSO TELL HIM WE ARE NOT OPTIMISTIC

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THAT HE WILL RECEIVE AN INVITATION TO PEKING DURING THIS PERIOD.

OUR IMPRESSION FROM THE MFT MESSAGE, WHATEVER THE REASONS MAY BE,
IS THAT THE LIGHT INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTS CORPORATION IS SIMPLY NOT
PREPARED TO ENTER INTO DISCUSSIONS AT THIS TIME.
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